

### REMARKS

By this amendment, Claims 15 and 21 are amended. No claims are added or canceled. Hence, Claims 1-28 and 31-35 are pending in the application.

Claims 15 and 21 are amended herein, to correct an error made in the amendment filed on February 28, 2005. These amendments return Claims 15 and 21 to their previous form. No new matter is introduced into the application by way of these amendments.

### CONCLUSION

For the reasons set forth above, it is respectfully submitted that all of the pending claims (1-28 and 31-35) are now in condition for allowance. Therefore, the issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance is believed next in order, and that action is most earnestly solicited.

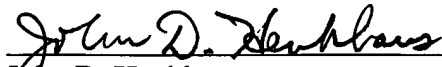
The Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is believed that such contact would further the examination of the present application.

Please charge any shortages or credit any overages to Deposit Account No. 50-1302.

Respectfully submitted,

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